

## GOUGING GREENIES.

TRICKS AND DODGES OF THE CIRCUS HANGERS-ON.

The Well-Known Palming Trick—Cheating in the Change—"Both Ends Against the Middle"—"Flip" and "Push-Back"—Avoiding a Fuss.

[Chicago News.]  
"Why, bless your soul, the innocence of the average hay-seed stranger would knock spots out of a 5-year child. City people are easy enough to get away with at times, but your country-jakey takes to being robbed as natural as a mutton chop to the grid-iron. Just you travel with a circus as I have, and you'll find the pig-sons flock around faster than you can pluck 'em."

"In the way-back time the scooping was done with a double-rig, three-card monte, sweat-cloth and such like games, but they've all got played out, and nowadays they don't even give a fellow a little excitement for his money, but just take it in without his knowing he's lost it. There's no end of ways for doing this, just as chance offers, but there are several regular standbys that are played day after day and don't fall once in twenty times. One of these is the palming trick, which can be done by anybody after a little practice. The sucker hands you a bill for \$2, say, and you count the change all right into your left hand, taking pains to have him see you count it. Then you turn your hand over and empty the change into his hand and he naturally puts it into his pocket without a second counting, while the fact is he's a half-dollar short, as you have captured that half-dollar in the palm of your left hand."

SIDE-SHOW TRICKS.  
"There's another way of making a small squeeze that all the time being used at the box-office or the doors of the side-shows. A man calls for two tickets at 50 cents each, well say, and pass up a \$5 bill. The ticket-man says 'hold out your hand, sir, tickets \$1.30; chicken-feed, \$2, \$3, \$4, \$5; next.' Now, the man has got his tickets and \$3 in silver or notes, but the chicken-feed amounts to only 30 or 35 cents in nickels and dimes. The crowd pushes him on; he sees the tickets and dollars are all right, and in his hurry to get into the tent never thinks to count the small change. This is about the only trick the door-men or wagon-box chaps of a snide management can afford to play, but when the crowd is big they often make more than \$25 on it per day for each ticket seller."

"Every man in the gouge-racket gang is a pretty good judge of human nature, and from long practice is able to pick out a green horn at sight. With such a fellow they try the dodge that seems best suited to his case, and the three methods most usually adopted are as follows: One is called 'both ends against the middle,' and is only worked on a greeny who is in a big rush, and who is so hurried that he doesn't know what he is doing. He passes over a \$5 bill and the scalper hands him the ticket, which costs \$1 say, and three \$1 bills and says quite sharp, as though he has no time fooling: 'here you are, sir, your check, two, three, four dollars, and your ticket five.' On that deal the scalper makes \$1, for in nine cases out of ten, having sized their man right, the sucker jams the change into his pocket, and slides off without an idea but that it's all square."

"Flip" and "Push-Back."  
"When a chap looks more cautious they give him the 'push-back' or 'flip.' This is a pretty game, and if played right will capture most anybody. In return for a \$5 bill the scalper hands over the ticket and the right amount of small change, and says, 'Let's see, I still owe you \$2.' Here they are—two, three, four, counting the money under the man's eyes, and then folding up the notes and handing them to him. The man really only gets \$3, for the scalper has folded one of the notes between his fingers so that when he counts both ends of that note represents a dollar, while the man, having seen the counting, puts the roll into his pocket without opening it."

"The boss game, however, is known to the trade as 'push-back,' and is only played by men who have practiced it till they are slick as eels. The sucker comes up to a scalper, who is standing around with tickets in his hand for sale, and forks over a \$5, \$10, or \$20 bill, as the case may be. The scalper takes the bill in his right hand, in which the tickets are, and goes down into his left pocket for change, bringing up some, but not enough. 'Take this back,' says he, 'I can't change it. Haven't you something smaller?' The sucker puts the bill back in his pocket, all crumpled up as it was handed to him, and either brings out enough silver to pay for the ticket or says he hasn't anything smaller. In the latter case the scalper says 'all right, you look like an honest man and I'll trust you with the tickets. I'll have some change before you come out and you can pay me then.' Off goes the sucker, tickled to death, and that's the last of him. Now, the beauty of the business is that the scalper had a \$1 bill crumpled up in his hand under the tickets, and he knows that change places with the big bill while he was apparently looking for change."

"Once in a while a man find's he's been swindled and begins to make a kick about it, but it never results in a row nowadays, for the scalper is always ready to square his man rather than have a fuss. This last don't pay, for it attracts too much attention and spoils the further working of the little games."

For Light-House Illumination.

[Exchange.]  
The recent experiments on the British coast to test the relative merits of oil, gas and electricity for light-houses, have resulted in the decision of the committee that oil is the most suitable and economical illuminant for ordinary necessities, and that electricity offers the greatest advantages when very powerful light is needed.

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[Exchange.]  
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Instead of Change.  
[Boston Traveler.]  
A Worcester county woman whose husband is a dentist engaged a man to saw wood for her, and when the job was done told him she hadn't got any change, but the doctor would pull a tooth for him for nothing some time.

One Way of Pronouncing It.  
[Lawrence American.]  
A little Lawrence girl who was in the habit of going into the woods to pick clennatis, told her mother that if she found any "calamities" she would bring her some.

Changes of a River.  
The Sacramento river has undergone a complete change, owing to the operations of the hydraulic miners in the mountains, where it takes its rise. In the days of the pioneer it was a deep, clear stream, with high banks, but now it is a mass of yellow water, thickened by the detritus from the mining regions, and is with difficulty kept in a navigable condition. —California Letter.

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I will say that I took charge of the office on Wednesday, the 6th instant.  
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